

(c) determining if said second information is consistent with said first information ;

(d) using ~~a favourable result of said determination of consistence~~ said second information being determined as consistence with said first information as a pre-condition for permitting use of said software desired to be protected on said second processing apparatus, with said "installation" pre-condition not being met :

thereafter, said sub-method being capable of being used on a processing apparatus, say, third processing apparatus, ~~without causing any user responsible operation(e) being performed therefor and with no~~ a step relating to a new user payment therefor . *without*

Claim 21 (currently amended) A method for verifying identity of a user of a data processing apparatus, comprising the steps of :

- a) receiving, by said data processing apparatus, information specific to ~~a~~ said user and necessary for accessing ~~an~~ a financial account of said user ;
- b) verifying said account being valid, by a electronic transaction system, by use of said information received by said data processing apparatus;
- c) using by said data processing apparatus, ~~a favourable result of said verification~~ said account being determined as valid as a pre-condition for providing user access to at least a part of the functionality of said data processing apparatus ;

wherein ~~said steps a) to c) are~~ method is being performed without charging said account and said at least a part of functionality being not related to said validity status of said account.

Claim 22 (currently amended) A software product comprising computer code for causing one or more processing apparatus to perform the method of claim 1, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 or 21 ;

~~said computer code existing in a computer readable medium having said computer code.~~